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SUBJ: NAMIBIA: PENDING EXECUTION OF NDUVUU FILEMON NANGOLO

REF: 76 PRETORIA 2348, AF/S KEOGH - DCM NELSON TELECONS MAY 25

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED FOLLOWING TELEGRAM FROM SWAPO WINDHOEK
TODAY, MAY 25:

"WE WISH TO APPEAL TO YOU AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY
TO PERSUADE THE RACIST REGIME OF SOUTH AFRICA NOT TO CARRY
OUT THE EXECUTION OF NDUVUU FILEMON NANGOLO, AGED 24.
NANGOLO WAS ARRESTED IN APRIL, 1976 AND CHARGED UNDER
THE NOTORIOUS TERRORISM ACT. HE WAS FOUND GUILTY AND
SENTENCED TO DEATH IN SEPTEMBER, 1976. AFTER THE
SENTENCE, HE APPEALED THE SENTENCE. LAST WEEK HE WAS
TOLD THAT THE APPEAL HAD FAILED. WE FEEL THAT HE MIGHT
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BE EXECUTED WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS OR WEEKS. (A
POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT IT MIGHT BE CARRIED OUT THIS
WEEK.) THE TERRORISM ACT WAS PROMULGATED IN 1967 WITH
THE AIM OF ARRESTING THE NAMIBIAN'S REQUEST FOR
INDEPENDENCE AND TO QUELL THE RISING TIDE OF FREEDOM.
NANGOLO IS PARALYZED FROM THE WAIST DOWNWARDS AND THERE-
FORE HIS EXECUTION WILL BE AN UNPARALLELED ACT OF CRUELTY.

SWAPO BELIEVES THAT IF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY ALLOWS SOUTH AFRICA TO CONTINUE WITH THE PERPETUATION OF BARBARIC ACTS AND INHUMAN ATROCITIES, PROSPECTS OF SOLVING THE NAMIBIAN ISSUE PEACEFULLY WILL BE COMPLETELY ENDANGERED. NOW IS THE TIME FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO TRANSLATE THEIR WORDS INTO ACTIONS. IF YOU FAIL TO SAVE THE LIFE OF NANGOLO, YOU WILL BE PARTY TO THE EXECUTION. IF YOU DID NOT VETO IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL, SOUTH AFRICA WOULD HAVE WITHDRAWN FROM NAMIBIA. NOW IS THE TIME TO SHOW THAT YOU ARE NOT PAYING LIP SERVICE TO OUR LIBERATION STRUGGLE. ONE DAY, THE WORLD WILL ASK ALL THOSE WHO HAVE PAID LIP SERVICE TO OUR CAUSE--WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN WHEN THE NAMIBIAN PEOPLE WERE SUFFERING IN THE HANDS OF SOUTH AFRICA, WHAT HAVE YOU CONTRIBUTED TO THE SOLUTION OF THE NAMIBIAN ISSUE. YOUR FAITHFULLY NASHILONGO TAAPOPI, SECRETARY FOR YOUTH, SWAPO."

2. THE GERMAN CONSULATE IN WINDHOEK RECEIVED THE SAME APPEAL ADDRESSED TO THE "GOVERNMENT OF THE FIVE POWERS". IT WAS DELIVERED TO THE CONSULATE BY A SWAPO DELEGATION HEADED BY TAAPOPI WHO TOLD THE GERMAN CONSUL THE SAME MESSAGE HAD BEEN SENT TO THE UNSYG, UN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS, AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF JURISTS, GENEVA. BOWDLER

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